PHOTOJOURNALISM – Geoff Dale		
Image #1 Title	Grade	Comments
AO Autumn Gold on Black	Merit	Clean and tidy shot, good use of reflection, not breaking new ground
AO Coastal Erosion	Merit	Powerful landscape, could be improved with a point of scale or somebody in it
AO Layers of St Bathans	Merit	Well seen and captured, good use of point of view to frame the subject in a different way.
AO Saddleback feeding on kawakawa fruit kawakawa fruit	Honours	Great timing and subject matter, perfect depth of field to hold your attention in the perfect place
AO Shag Rock	Highly Commended	Strong subject, simple, great lighting and timing
AO The Fallen	Merit	Nicely balanced, seen this type of shot before so I want to see more of what this photographer has brought to this style of shot to make it their own
AO Tui	Merit	Flat lighting on a beautiful subject, needs to be unique to stand out.
As A day at the beach	Merit	Thought-provoking image in a Features style, relies too much on the accompanying text to find its impact
As Against Unworkable Regulations	Merit	The way this single tractor has been isolated actually makes the story smaller - was it part of convoy? Was it alone?
AS And the band played on	Acceptance	Nice natural lighting but too much of the image is too dark - a tighter crop would have improved this dramatically
AS broken	Highly Commended	Triptych works really well, each image could be its own story, together they tell a broader story, well done
AS Eastown Building Fire	Highly Commended	Tells a great story, a tighter crop of fire/firemen/puddle would have been stronger
AS Getting into Art	Merit	Muddy, doesn't really tell the story of the children interacting with the art in the strongest way, seems to need an explanation in order to tell what's going on
AS Hang in there	Honours	Every corner of this image has something to look at, terrific moment
AS It is OK	Highly Commended	Good photojournalism, thought-provoking
AS It takes concentration. Harakeke paper making workshop	Merit	Good use of colour, good illustration of the process
AS It's going to be another hot one! BBG Gardeners team	Acceptance	Background over exposed so better control of light is needed, it's a nice image of people but it's not obvious what the story is about
AS Like my bike	Merit	Very dark and muddy, tough situation but needs more exposure overall

AS Out of Reach	Highly Commended	Good timing, nicely isolated ball, tells a good story
AS Over 80 & Triumphant	Highly Commended	Clean, good celebration moment
AS Taking a tumble	Highly Commended	Good timing, perhaps a slightly tighter crop might add more power
AS Tangiwai Hui	Merit	A little confusing, black and white choice is good but seems to have camera shake, perhaps the hongi is the part that should have been sharp?
AS Time for a drink	Highly Commended	Interesting features piece, Black and White seems a good choice, great motion and energy
AS Tom Walsh - Being Big Ain't Easy	Highly Commended	Great moment and good energy
AS Tom Walsh - Mental Preparation	Acceptance	Bright background overpowers the subject, too wide for impact, needs to be much tighter crop
AS Waimarie Trouble on the slipway	Highly Commended	Good sense of drama,
AS Wealthy Beggar	Merit	Needs more sense of location, is more a portrait of a guy where the story might involve more of where he is
BO Ngawi Fur Seal	Highly Commended	Lovely colours, great isolation, well done
BO Spiny Leaf Insect	Highly Commended	Intriguing, greater depth of field might help, well done
BS After The Twilight Surf	Highly Commended	Fairly well handled, challenging time of day to shoot, more care needed on the people
BS Aiming High	Merit	Need to see more drama, perhaps a vertical crop, more of where they're going and how precarious the climb is
BS Car vs Power pole	Merit	All the story is hidden, police car isn't important, back of the cop isn't important, needs more direction towards the hero of this story
BS Covid of Old	Merit	Interesting illustration but fairly obtuse story
BS Early Settlers final resting place	Merit	Fairly loose crop, needs more emplasis on the headstone
BS Glassworks.jpg	Highly Commended	Great drama, interesting lighting
BS New Entrance To Durie Hill Elevator	Highly Commended	Captures the new architecture well, addition of the person brings a sense of humanity to an otherwise sterile subject
BS Surfing School Castlecliff	Merit	Interesting, pity they weren't all in action, perhaps not the best possible moment of the story
BS Winners.jpg	Highly Commended	Interesting story, nice angle to show many subjects
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